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Statement by County Council President Blair Ewing on the statement by Rep. Frank Wolf calling for cancellation of the “Techway” Study

“We’re pleased that Rep. Wolf has come to agree with us that a northern Potomac River crossing and connected ‘Techway’ or ‘Truckway’ could not be built in Montgomery County without negatively impacting established neighborhoods or cutting through parkland. That’s the unanimous position of all nine members of the Council, as well as the position of County Executive Doug Duncan and the state of Maryland.

“It’s crystal clear – from the hundreds of folks who turned out this week at public meetings in North Potomac in Maryland and in Great Falls on the Virginia side – that the more residents know about this project, the more they’re against it. And they’re against it not only for the effect it would have on their neighborhoods, but also because they know it would likely mean more traffic and sprawl, not less.

“We stand ready to work with Congressman Wolf and with all of our colleagues in the region to fashion common-sense responses to our transportation challenges – solutions that will offer real relief while protecting our neighborhoods and quality of life.

“Let’s stop arguing about projects like this that are never going to happen and start working together on what we can do now to battle congestion and sprawl.”